

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION & REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 29, 2022 - 7:00 PM

City Council Chambers 400 East Military, Fremont NE

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MINUTES

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Spellerberg called the Board of Equalization Meeting to order and stated that a copy of the open meeting law is posted continually for public inspection located near the entrance door by the agendas.

ROLL CALL Roll call showed Council Members Ellis, Ganem, Yerger, Sookram, Legband, Jensen, Gibson and Vaughan present. 8 members present.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Hold public hearing, consider exemption requests, and consider complete cost and schedule of Assessments for Business Improvement District #1. Mayor Spellerberg resumed the public hearing. Mayor Spellerberg closed the public hearing after receiving comments form the public. Motion made by Jensen, seconded by Gibson to approve the exemptions as presented. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT Motion made by Sookram, seconded by Vaughan to adjourn; time: 7:03 P.M. Voting Yea: Yerger, Ellis, Legband, Ganem, Sookram, Vaughan, Jensen, Gibson. Motion carried.

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

7:00 PM – Following the preceding Meeting

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER Mayor Spellerberg called the Regular Meeting to order and stated that a copy of the open meeting law is posted continually for public inspection located near the entrance door by the agendas.

ROLL CALL Roll call showed Council Members Ellis, Ganem, Yerger, Sookram, Legband, Jensen, Gibson and Vaughan present. 8 members present.

MAYOR COMMENTS

(There will be no discussion from the Council or the public regarding comments made by the Mayor. Should anyone have questions regarding the comments, please contact the Mayor after the meeting)

1. Motion to adopt current agenda for the March 29, 2022 Regular Meeting. Motion made by Yerger, seconded by Gibson to move items 14 & 15 to the end of the agenda with and executive session prior to item 15. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Voting Nay: Jensen. Motion carried. Motion made by Yerger, seconded by Vaughan to approve the agenda for the March 29, 2022 Regular Meeting as amended. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.

<u>CONSENT AGENDA:</u> All items in the consent agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member or a citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately. Motion made by Legband, seconded by Sookram to approve consent agenda items 2-4 & 6-7. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Vaughan, Legband, Sookram, Jensen, Yerger and Gibson. Motion carried.

- 2. Motion to approve March 9, 2022 through March 29, 2022 claims and authorize checks to be drawn on the proper accounts
- 3. Dispense with and approve March 8, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes and Board of Equalization Meeting Minutes
- 4. Receive February 2022 animal reports
- Motion to approve Cement Work/Asphalt/Excavate license application of McTaggart Industries. Motion made by Sookram, seconded by Vaughan to approve Cement Work/Asphalt/Excavate license application of McTaggart Industries. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan Voting Nay: Yerger. Motion carried.
- 6. Motion to approve fee waiver for use of Christensen Field for Post Prom event
- 7. Resolution 2022-040 authorizing Mayor to sign Maintenance Agreement No. 11 with the Nebraska Department of Transportation
- 8. Resolution 2022-041 of the City Council of the City of Fremont, Nebraska, to sign an agreement with Aramark for Uniform Service. Motion made by Yerger, seconded by Gibson to amend the Resolution to amend the second whereas statement to include that Aramark presented to lowest responsible bid, and the now therefore statement to include that this is a 4-year contract at \$1,255.31 per week. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried. Motion made by Yerger, Seconded by Ganem to approve Resolution 2022-041 as amended. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Requires individual associated action

9. Motion to approve Cement Work/Asphalt/Excavate license application of Hubbell Equipment Rental LLC and United Carpet Cleaning Service. Motion made by Jensen, Seconded by Legband to approve Cement Work/Asphalt/Excavate license application of Hubbell Equipment Rental LLC and United Carpet Cleaning Service. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan Voting Nay: Yerger. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Requires individual associated action

- 10. Motion authorizing the Mayor to sign contract with MCL for Library Expansion project. Motion made by Gibson, Seconded by Legband authorizing the Mayor to sign the contracts with MCL Construction for Construction Manager at Risk fees for the Library Expansion Project. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.
- 11. Move to receive and file Fire Department Annual Report. Motion made by Legband, seconded by Vaughan to receive and file Fire Department Annual Report. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.
- 12. Receive and file Local Option Economic Development Fund (LB840) Quarterly Report. Motion made by Legband, Seconded by Sookram to receive and file Local Option Economic Development Fund (LB840) Quarterly Report. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.
- 13. Discussion and potential motion of Staffing Plan for Public Works Department. Motion made by Jensen, Seconded by Legband approve Public Works Department staffing plan, and in the future receive information form Grand Island and other cities in the array with the discussed position. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.
- 16. Resolution 2022-042 approving amendments to Wheelhouse Solutions DBA My Central Supply ("MCS"), LLC's Economic Development Agreement and Promissory Note both dated February 24, 2022. Motion made by Jensen, Seconded by Sookram to receive updated staff report into the record. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried. Motion made by Legband, Seconded by Yerger to approve Resolution 2022-042. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.
- 17. Move to authorize the mayor to sign the request to contract amendment for Community Development Block Grant 10-ED-009. Motion made by Jensen, Seconded by Ganem to authorize the mayor to sign the request to contract amendment for Community Development Block Grant 10-ED-009. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan Voting Nay: Yerger. Motion carried.
- 18. Motion to approve and place February 15, 2022 Traffic Committee Report into the record. Motion made by Yerger, Seconded by Legband approve and place February 15, 2022 Traffic Committee Report into the record. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.
- 19. Resolution 2022-043 authorizing levying of assessments for Business Improvement District #1. Motion made by Yerger, Seconded by Legband to approve Resolution 2022-

043. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.

- 14. Motion to approve the appointment of the Utilities General Manager as appointed by the Mayor. Motion made by Gibson, seconded by Vaughan to approve the appointment of Jeff Shanahan as the Utilities General Manager. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan, Yerger. Motion carried.
- 15. Move to authorize the mayor to sign the employment contract for Jeff Shanahan as Utility General Manager. Moved by Gibson, seconded by Ellis to go into executive session to discuss contract negotiations and for the further reason that the executive session is necessary for the protection of the public interest and asked for discussion. The Mayor stated that the pending motion was to go into executive session for discussing contract negotiations and for the further reason that the executive session is necessary for the protection of the public interest. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Yerger. Voting Nay: Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan. Motion failed. Motion made by Gibson, Seconded by Ganem to authorize the mayor to sign the employment contract for Jeff Shanahan as Utility General Manager. Voting Yea: Ellis, Ganem, Gibson, Jensen, Legband, Sookram, Vaughan Voting Nay: Yerger. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT Motion made by Jensen, seconded by Gibson to adjourn; time: 9:05 P.M. Voting Yea: Yerger, Ellis, Legband, Ganem, Sookram, Vaughan, Jensen, Gibson. Motion carried.

Agenda posted at the Municipal Building on March 23, 2022 and online at www.fremontne.gov. Agenda distributed to the Mayor and City Council on March 23, 2022. This meeting is preceded by publicized notice in the Fremont Tribune on the last Thursday of the preceding month and the agenda, including any notice of study session or public hearing, is displayed in the Municipal Building and is open to the public. The official current copy is available at City Hall, 400 East Military, City Clerk's Office. The City Council reserves the right to go into Executive Session at any time. A copy of the Open Meeting Law is posted in the City Council Chambers for review by the public. The City of Fremont reserves the right to adjust the order of items on the agenda.

APPROVED AND ACCEPTED AS THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE FREMONT, NEBRASKA Board of Equalization & Regular City Council Meeting Minutes for March 29, 2022.

Tyler Ficken, City Clerk

Joey Spellerberg, Mayor